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Endeavour, Discovery prepped for missions STS-118, -122

Next ELV launch, AIM, to study highest clouds

◆ **Shuttle Update:** In bay 3 of the OPF, **Discovery** has been powered down and thermal protection system operations are under way. This week, the orbiter is being wired for the "Station to Shuttle Power Transfer System," or SSPTS. The SSPTS allows the space shuttle to stay docked at the International Space Station longer by providing its power and preserving its consumables. The orbiter is scheduled for power-up in late March. **Discovery** is targeted to fly on mission STS-122.

◆ **ELV Update:** The next scheduled ELV launch is the AIM spacecraft, aboard a Pegasus XL vehicle, from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. AIM is a two-year mission to study Polar Mesospheric Clouds, or PMCs, the Earth's highest clouds, which form an icy membrane 50 miles above the surface at the edge of space. The primary goal of the AIM mission is to explain why PMCs form in the first place and what is causing the mysterious changes in their behavior. The AIM satellite carries three state-of-the-art instruments: Cloud Imaging and Particle Size, Solar Occultation For Ice Experiment and the Cosmic Dust Experiment.

■ **IAAP Meets Tuesday, Features E-Mail Clutter** — The Central Brevard Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals, or IAAP, invites all admin-

istrative support personnel to its monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The meeting will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott on 3425 N. Atlantic Avenue in Cocoa Beach. Kimmarie Barrett, with the Lockheed Martin Information and Technology Division, will speak about "Getting Rid of E-mail Clutter." Guests are welcome. An optional dinner costs \$11. Please RSVP by Monday to Debbie Carter at 426-3003 or e-mail dcarter@hoyman.com. Reservations can also be made through the chapter Web site at iaapcentralbrevard.homestead.com. Regular chapter meetings are the second Tuesday of each month.

■ **Send Your Kids To Camp** — The spring session for Camp KSC is scheduled for March 26-30. Summer camp sessions are available June 4 through Aug. 17. Regular tuition is \$295 per child, per session. There is a 10-percent discount for badged employees and contractors of Kennedy Space Center, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Patrick Air Force Base and retired KSC personnel.

Based at the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame, Camp KSC offers children entering second through ninth grade an out-of-this-world experience to explore space as never before. Spring camp hours are from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with extended early drop-off and late pick-up hours available free for badged employees. Campers receive a complimentary KSC Visitor Com-

plex annual pass, lunches and afternoon snacks, an official Camp KSC T-shirt, four complimentary admission tickets to the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame, the Camp KSC graduation ceremony and a certificate of completion.

For more information and registration details, call 449-4444 or visit the Web site: kennedyspacecenter.com/educatorsParents/camp.asp.

■ **Are You "Sleep Aware"?** March 5-11 is National Sleep Awareness week. Although snoring may be harmless for most people, it can be a symptom of a life-threatening sleep disorder called sleep apnea, especially if accompanied by severe daytime sleepiness.

For more information, visit the Web site at sleepfoundation.org/.

This health tip is brought to you by KSC Health Cliques. You can visit the new KSC Health Cliques Web site to find out if you know the health tip of the week! For comments regarding KSC Health Cliques, call Kris Calderone at 867-3414 or e-mail Kristine.Calderon-1@ksc.nasa.gov, or call Lauren Ratner at 867-4566 or e-mail Lauren.Ratner-1@ksc.nasa.gov.

■ **Did You Know?** The O&C Mission Briefing Room will be closed from April 1 through June 30 for major facility renovations. The room will be unavailable for any usage during this time. For additional information, please contact Brent Seale at Brent.L.Seale@nasa.gov.